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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

FOR AMBASSADOR EDWIN M. MARTIN, US DEL, 2ND PREPCOM, WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE FROM DAN SHAUGHNESSY

1. HAVE JUST RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM BOGOTA.
QUOTE PROPOSED DATES FOR AMBASSADOR MARTIN'S VISIT ARE
POOR FROM STANDPOINT OF ACHIEVING AUTHORITATIVE EXCHANGE
WITH COLOMBIAN AUTHORITIES. AMB MARTIN WOULD OF COURSE
HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SUBJECT WITH PRESENT
GOVERNMENT, BUT THE PASTRANA ADMINISTRATION ONLY HAS TWO
MORE MONTHS IN OFFICE AND THESE OFFICIALS WILL NOT BE THE
ONES DEFINING COLOMBIAN POSITIONS ON SUBJECT CONFERENCE.
UNFORTUNATELY, THE PRESIDENT-ELECT, HIS PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC
ADVISER AND PROBABLE FOREIGN MINISTER DESIGNATES WILL ALL
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BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY AT TIME PROPOSED. CHANCE OF HAVING

MEANINGFUL DISCUSSION WITH KEY PERSONS IN NEW GOVERNMENT BEFORE INAUGURATION AUGUST 7 ARE NOT VERY GOOD. HENCE WHILE WE BELIEVE CONSULTATIONS WITH GOC BY AMBASSADOR MARTIN ARE MOST DESIRABLE, WE HAVE DOUBTS THAT MAXIMUM BENEFIT WILL BE GAINED AT THIS TIME. IDEAL WOULD BE TO VISIT COLOMBIA AT LATER DATE TO CONSULT WITH NEW GOVERNMENT IF THAT AT ALL POSSIBLE, AND WE WOULD SO RECOMMEND. IF THIS IS NOT PRACTICAL, AND AMBASSADOR MARTIN BELIEVES THERE WOULD STILL BE UTILITY FROM HIS

STANDPOINT IN TALKING TO OUTGOING ADMINISTRATION (THERE WILL BE OF COURSE SOME CONTINUITY BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS), WE WOULD BE MOST HAPPY HAVE VISIT. UNQUOTE

- 2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, DO YOU WISH CONSIDER CANCELLING BOGOTA PORTION OF TRIP? IF SO, THIS MIGHT MAKE ARRANGEMENTS IN CARACAS EASIER.
- 3. PLEASE ADVISE. KISSINGER

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